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## REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.60

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OF THIS APPLICATION:

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EXAMINER

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Address to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a Request for filing:

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A Continuation

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A Divisional

application under 37 CFR 1.60 of pending prior application Number 08/317,763 filed on October 4, 1994 entitled BIFURCATED ENDOLUMINAL PROSTHESIS.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor signed prior application, including the oath or declaration showing the original signature or an indication it was signed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the latest inventor signed prior application number 08/317,763, and that no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein, and further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are made punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)

(Col. 2)

FOR:	No. Filed	No. Extra
Basic Fee		
Total Claims	9-20=	*0
Indep Claims	9-3=	*6
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim Presented		

## SMALL ENTITY

Rate	Fee
	\$365
x \$11	\$
x \$38	\$228
+\$120	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$593</b>

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SMALL ENTITY

OR	Rate	Fee
OR		\$730
OR	x \$22	\$
OR	x \$76	\$
OR	+\$240	\$
<b>OR TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>

\*If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2.

2. ☒ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27

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is enclosed.

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was filed in prior application number Number 08/317,763 and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).

3. ☒ The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0350. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$593.00 is enclosed.

5. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims (2-53) of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

6. ☒ The inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application is (are) George Goicoechea, John Hudson, and Claude Mialhe.

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7. ☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.60(b), the Assistant Commissioner for Patents is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application \_\_\_\_.

- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

"This application is a ☐ continuation  
☒ division

of application number 08/317,763, filed October 4, 1994, (status: pending) which is a Continuation-in-Part of application 08/312,881, filed September 27, 1994, status: pending."

9. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.

10. ☒ Priority of application numbers EP94400284.9, filed on February 9, 1994 in the EPO and EP94401306.9, filed on June 10, 1994 in the EPO is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

☒ The certified copy has been filed in prior application number 08/312,881, filed September 27, 1994.

11. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

12. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to MinTec, Incorporated.

13. ☐ Also enclosed \_\_\_\_.

14. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Paul F. Prestia (Reg. No. 23,031), Allan Ratner (Reg. No. 19,717), Andrew L. Ney (Reg. No. 20,300), Kenneth N. Nigon (Reg. No. 31,549), Kevin R. Casey (Reg. No. 32,117), Guy T. Donatiello (Reg. No. 33,167), James C. Simmons (Reg. No. 24,842), Viviana Amzel (Reg. No. 30,930), Benjamin E. Leace (Reg. No. 33,412), Lawrence E. Ashery (Reg. No. 34,515), Christopher R. Lewis (Reg. No. 36,201), Steven E. Koffs (Reg. No. 37,163), Anthony L. DiBartolomeo (Reg. No. 37,308), Allan M. Wheatcraft (Reg. No. 36,307), and Anthony Grillo (Reg. No. 36,535).

- a. ☒ The power of attorney appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☒ Address all future correspondence to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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☐ Filed under 37 CFR 1.34(a)

## CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING (37 CFR 1.10)

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I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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